

RESOLUTION NO. 2010-14 IN SUPPORT OF I-JOBS II GRANT APPLICATION

WHEREAS, during the 2010 Legislative Session, the Iowa Legislature enacted Senate File 2389 (the "Act"), creating the I-Jobs II Program and providing for I-Jobs grant funding to assist in the development and completion of public construction projects relating to disaster prevention; and

WHEREAS, the Act also created new chapter 18B of the Iowa Code, which provides, inter alia, that local governments shall consider and may apply certain planning principles, denominated by the Act as "Smart Planning Principles" during the deliberation of all appropriate planning, zoning, development, and resource management decisions; and

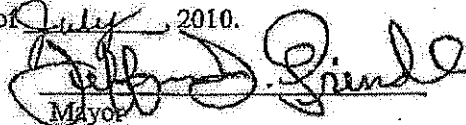
WHEREAS, pursuant to Sec. 88 of the Act, only cities or counties that apply "smart planning principles and guidelines pursuant to sections 18B.1 and 18B.2, may submit an application to the Iowa jobs board for financial assistance for a local infrastructure competitive grant for an eligible project under the program"; and


WHEREAS, the City of Riverdale desires or may desire to apply for I-Jobs II grant funding for one or more eligible projects within the City, to wit:
Proposed Storm Sewer Installation along the length of Fieldcrest Drive

NOW THEREFORE, the City of Riverdale hereby resolves as follows:

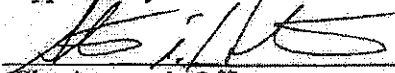
1. The City shall promptly perform a review to determine the potential advantages and disadvantages to the City of adopting a comprehensive plan utilizing Smart Planning Principles in conformance with the Act.
2. In the event the City is awarded one or more grants under the Iowa Jobs II local infrastructure competitive grant program pursuant to the Act, the City shall complete the adoption of a comprehensive plan utilizing smart planning principles in conformance with new chapter 18B within three years of the award of such grant(s).
3. In the event the City is awarded one or more grants under the Iowa Jobs II local infrastructure competitive grant program pursuant to the Act, the City pledges to commit the funds to the project to make up the difference between the total project cost and the amount of the I-JOBS II grant funding.
4. The City authorizes the submission on the I-JOBS II Grant Application.

Passed and approved this 29 day of July, 2010.


Mayor

Attest: 
City Clerk

Approved by


City Attorney's Office

July 30, 2010

To Mayor Grindle,

As you are aware, I have been a resident of Riverdale for 30 years, and my property is adjacent to Scott Community College storm water detention pond. Over the years our basement has been flooded four times. In heavy rain storms the water runoff from the College's roofs and parking lots exceed the capacity of their detention pond. The water actually comes in our walk-in basement door. This has become a constant worry whenever it rains at a rate faster than two inches per hour. We must be vigilant of the water level to determine if we need to quickly put everything up on blocks in our basement. The primary reason the detention pond over flows is because the City storm drain system is too small to take the water away fast enough. The College has twice increased the size of the detention pond to try to alleviate the problem. However, the College continues to grow; hard surfacing more and more of their property. The detention pond cannot be enlarged any more due to the elevation of the drain and lack of available space for enlarging the pond.

The detention pond does have an overland overflow that dumps into the City street, however, at that level the water is already in our basement. The only reasonable solution at this point is to replace the existing drain with a larger drain pipe.

We would appreciate anything that could be done to keep the water out of our basement.

Sincerely,

Dale Hupp

327 Manor Drive

Riverdale, IA 52722

August 1, 2010

343 Manor Drive
Riverdale, Iowa 52722

To whom it might concern:

Flooding of homes along Manor Drive and Fieldcrest Road has been a problem for as long as my family and I have lived in Riverdale. Our basement has been flooded approximately eight times by rain storms. Every time the level of storm water runoff in the Scott Community College's detention pond approaches the elevation of the pond's overflow, our basement floods.

- In August of 1979, a week after we move in to our home, our basement was flooded with more than 10" of water. Because we were new to the home and not expecting a flood we lost many family heirlooms and other items that we had not yet unpacked.
- In July 1993, our basement was flooded twice with approximately 12" of water each time. During those floods we lost a chest freezer, a washing machine and a hot water heater.
- In July of 2008, the last time we had a rain storm large enough to flood our basement, we were flooded, we had approximately 4" of water in our basement. On that occasion, we lost a hot water heater.

My wife and I support Riverdale's project to construct a new storm water pipe to drain run-off from Scott Community College's storm water retention pond. Engineering analysis indicates that this pipe will eliminate flooding of homes along Manor Drive and Fieldcrest Road for storms up to and including a 100-year return frequency event.

Possible alternatives such as lowering the pond's overflow and increasing the capacity of the pond have been reviewed and found to be lacking as solutions to the flooding problem. The new drainage pipe is the best solution. For that reason and the possibility that this pipe will eliminate flooding of our home and the homes of others, my wife and I enthusiastically support this project.

Sincerely,

John Franklin

Patti Franklin

July 31, 2010

Mayor Grindle,

The new detention pond that Scott Community College has recently enlarged, is adjacent to my property.

In the 24 years I have lived at this address I have put up with water in my basement. Now, with the College increasing its hard surfaces, the run off is worse. Riverdale's current storm drain system is not adequate to handle all the added water. I installed a second sump pump thinking it would help keep up. That still didn't solve my water problem.

At the last Council meeting I was informed that due to the lack of available space and the location of the drain, the detention pond, as planned, will not be large enough to solve our water problem.

This problem needs to be addressed. Hopefully a solution can be found that will help me and the other Riverdale citizens who are having water issues also.

Anything that would help alleviate this problem would be much appreciated.

Sincerely,

L. Regina Meer
273 Manor Dr.
Riverdale, Ia 52722

July 31st, 2010

Dear Mayor Grindle

I am very concerned about the growing problem of water in my mothers and my home at 273 Manor Drive.

As you are undoubtedly aware the hard surface space at Scott Community College has increased due to their expansion projects these last couple of years. As a consequence, the water run off is more than Riverdale's current storm drainage system can handle.

At the last Council meeting I and my mother were informed that due to the lack of available space and the location of the drain, the detention pond, as planned, will not be large enough to solve our water problem.

Since my mother and dad bought the place, they have had to fight basement water problems. We had a second sump installed hoping to keep up with the increased influx of water. This did not help alleviate the problem.

I am hopeful that a solution to this situation can be found in an expedited fashion.

Sincerely

Jamie Logan
2975 South Hampton Drive
Bettendorf, IA 52722

Kristin Crawford

From: Amy Kramer [bobandamyk@hotmail.com]
Sent: Saturday, July 31, 2010 9:42 PM
To: riverdale@mchsi.com; Kristin Crawford
Subject: City Storm Drain

Mayor Grindle-

Although we have not lived in Riverdale long, we do know that when it rains the streets fill quickly and it seems much of it heads toward our house which is located at the corner of Fieldcrest and Circle Drive. Although our home may be on higher ground than our neighbors, it does not make it less dangerous for the water to run down the street causing potential harm to people traveling in their cars (us trying to reach our home) and pedestrians caught out in the rain. We have two small children and the current that runs down our street is very swift. I can't imagine what it would be like if the water exceeded the capacity at the detention pond. By expanding the city storm drain system, we could alleviate these issues and create a much safer environment in the event of a heavy down pour. We would appreciate anything that can be done to keep this water underground in the storm sewer where it should be.

Sincerely,
Bob and Amy Kramer
260 Circle Dr
Riverdale, IA 52722

I have lived in riverdale for about 40 years and watched the water that flows thru the town increase dramatically. This is due to Scott Community continuing to expand, adding parking lots and building new class rooms. In the past I have had damage from the amount of water flowing down fieldcrest. Currently I could have damage to my lawn and garden during one of those severe storms. This will happen even thou Scott has increased the size of their detention ponds to the max that they have room for and the result will be an over flow that will allow the water to flow down fieldcrest. The only fix is to enlarge the storm drain system by adding a second pipe to handle the overflow to keep the water off fieldcrest. There may be another fix but I don,t know of it.

Harry M. Pelton
624 Fieldcrest Rd
Riverdale, IA 52722

August 1, 2010

Mayor Grindle,

We've been residents of Riverdale for twenty years with our property at the intersection of Fieldcrest and Circle Drive.

We've seen Scott Community College grow over the years with additional buildings and hard surfaced roads on their property. We have concerns that the current storm sewer pipe that runs the length of Fieldcrest will be able to handle the extra water from the Scott Community College property. We would ask that consideration be given to replacing this with a larger drain pipe.

Patrick & Judy Tray

301 Circle Drive

Riverdale, IA 52722